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**Twinkie-sized package causes stir****Bomb Threat Forces Evacuation**

By RENEE NOVY

Confusion reigned Monday afternoon at the Durham Science Center, as local police and Campus Security officials responded to a bomb threat. Around 1 p.m., a lecture room full of chemistry students, the computer science department, and the mathematics department were evacuated after a note left behind on the door of a chemistry lecture room was found, alerting others of a package left beneath a podium in a chemistry lecture room, police officials said.

"An unidentified Twinkie-sized box was found, and the Omaha Police Department was called in to investigate the matter further. The northwest second floor wing was evacuated so that police could make a determination as to the contents of the box," said Tia Harrison of University Relations.

The Omaha Police Department, in turn, called in the bomb squad to help make such a determination.

"Even though the note found didn't mention anything about a bomb, we had to take necessary precautions," said Sgt. M. L. Vittitoe of the OPD. "All we know at this point in time is that there was a note posted on the chemistry lecture room door addressed to two names directing

Campus Security and faculty to something left behind under a podium." Around 4:30 p.m., Sgt. Vittitoe said that an expert from the bomb squad was currently on scene investigating the package, and that another expert was called to bring in an X-ray machine for further testing.

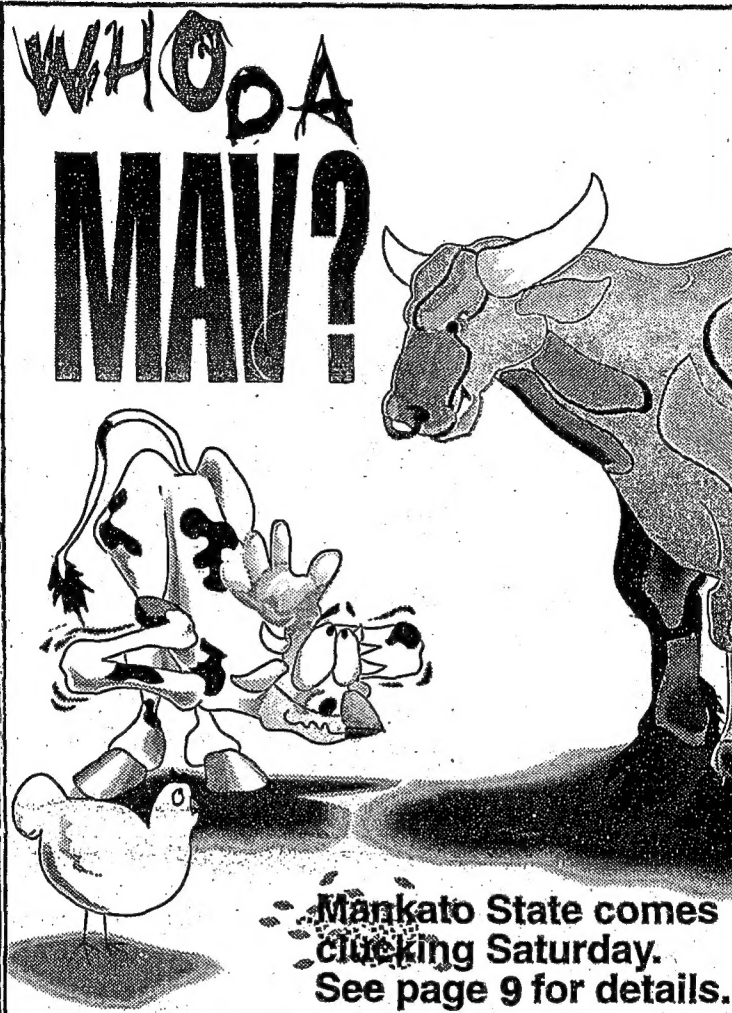
Although the second floor wing had been closed since approximately 1 p.m. and many faculty members who had been evacuated from their offices gathered outside, many students freely wandered in and out of the building, mostly finding that classes had been canceled for the northwest side of the building. Rumors spread quickly as to the cause for the closure.

"I was told that someone in chemistry class had had an accident so half of the building had to be cleared out by a couple of older ladies," said Ana Merizalde, a freshman. "They looked like authority figures, so I

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The Omaha Police Department's bomb squad was called to Durham Science Center Monday when a "suspicious package" was found in a chemistry class.



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clucking Saturday.**  
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**'Timing and Luck'  
Keys to Parking**

By PAULA B. SEEVERS

Crawling lines of cars. The endless wait for a space to open up. It's a jungle out there.

Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 8:30 to 10:00 a.m. are the worst days for parking, said Paul Kosel, acting manager of Campus Security.

Each morning, lots on campus fill according to a general pattern. The center of campus goes first, said Kosel, with lots around Engineering and HPER filling by 8:00 a.m. From there, parking spreads west to the Durham Science Center, Child Care Center and Alumni Building lots. The parking structure is filled by 10:00 a.m. Last Monday was the first time this year that student spaces were still available on the west side of campus at 10:00 a.m.

Timing and luck are the key to snagging a parking space during class break times during the day. Those who have been around for a while know the ropes, said Kosel.

Unfortunately the \$35 to \$50 you plunk down for a parking permit won't guarantee you a space. Permits, (also known as "hunting licenses") are sold on an unlimited basis at UNO. Kosel said they "will sell every permit we have." This is in contrast to the University of Nebraska-Lincoln campus, where reserved lots exist.

Some people just won't buy a parking permit, said Kosel.

A free parking option is the shuttle bus from Aksarben. He suggests arriving a half-hour before class. Buses leave approximately every 15 minutes, but you can learn to adjust the time needed to get to class.

Shuttle buses make a loop around campus and can get caught in traffic just like cars, Kosel said. Some students hop off early,

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**Crime statistics available to students  
Logs Forced Open**

By REBECCA HAMMOND

The U.S. House of Representatives unanimously voted in favor of the Open Campus Police Logs Act of 1995 on Sept. 11 of last year.

The Open Campus Police Logs Act of 1995 requires that colleges and universities maintain a daily log of all crimes reported to campus security departments and make them available to the public. Campus security procedures must also be published and available. The bill is an amendment to the Crime Awareness and Campus Security Act signed in to law by President George Bush on Nov. 8, 1990 and administered by the Department of Education.

U.S. Rep. William F. Goodling, R-Penn., sponsored the bill in response to growing concerns about crime on college campuses. According to the Sept. 10, 1996 *Congressional Record*, concerns were partially based on a comment made in the Jan. 7 *New York Times* by the assistant secretary for the office of postsecondary education.

"We aren't going to essentially establish a major monitoring effort in this area," the assistant secretary said when asked about the enforcement of the Campus Security Act.

The Crime Awareness and Campus Security Act is intended to give students and educators access to information about crime on their campuses so they can take steps to protect themselves. This act would require campuses to keep open logs of all current criminal activities rather than merely publishing statistics.

"Students were being raped, murdered and robbed on our nation's campuses, and this information was being hidden from other students. Students who are provided information on crime on campuses can and will take steps to protect themselves," Goodling said. "If they are not informed, they can become victims of campus crime."

**Enjoying summer's last days**

Chris Blair, a sophomore elementary education major, studies in the Pep Bowl, enjoying the last days of the summer weather before the cold sets in.

UNO Campus Security only publishes statistics for reported crimes that occur on campus and university property. The Omaha Police Department (OPD) is responsible for all crimes that occur off-campus involving UNO students and faculty. Information about crimes occurring off-campus are recorded and published according to OPD policy.

"Because UNO is a computer campus, we have a pretty low crime rate," Paul Kosel, acting manager of Campus Security, said. "When we have housing here, the numbers will probably increase."

Institutions of higher education are required to provide crime statistics about murders, forcible and non-forcible sex offenses, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, motor vehicle theft and alcohol, drug and weapons violations that occur on campus and campus-controlled properties, he said.

Currently, UNO does not have an open-log system, but is planning to develop one in the future, Kosel said.



# Law Study Asks: 'How Did Gilligan Islanders Get Along Without A Lawyer?'

By CHRISTINA A. SAMUELS  
Knight-Ridder Newspapers

It looms as a mystery—perhaps even a great mystery of the modern world.

There was Gilligan, obviously. The skipper, too. The millionaire, his wife, the movie star, the Professor and Mary Ann—but no lawyer. Why not? And they survived without one?

Despite that that they could not build a simple boat to sail home, one of "Gilligan's Island's" greater mysteries, the seven castaways were far from lawless anarchists.

Unearthing this discovery is Nova Southeastern University law professor Robert Jarvis, an astute researcher steeped in television lore—and willing to admit it.

Jarvis started on the Gilligan project to break a case of writer's block. About 166 exhaustively researched pages later, Jarvis discovered the castaways were no legal amateurs.

The group held mock trials that followed well-accepted legal practices. In one episode, they convened a court to discover who had a better claim on an unearthed treasure chest.

"On a deserted island, where everyone knew each other, they still ran into legal issues," Jarvis said. "The point to be made is, wherever you go, wherever there are people, there is a need for law and order."

The sitcom, which originated in 1964-67 and has been in reruns ever since, was

laced with legal references. The ill-fated SS Minnow was named after a lawyer; Newton Minnow, chairman of the Federal Communications Commission in the 1960s who declared the television landscape of the time "a vast wasteland."

The professor, played by Russell Johnson, claimed to have earned six degrees by age 25. He could have squeezed in a law degree, Jarvis hypothesizes. Actor Bob Denver, who played Gilligan, even toyed with the idea of becoming a lawyer instead of an actor.

"This has become the paper that took over my life," Jarvis, 36, said.

It all started innocently enough, much like that three-hour tour.

Jarvis, who teaches courses in legal ethics, maritime and international law, got a grant to write a textbook on travel law. Writer's block caused him to turn his attention to Gilligan.

"They took along a business man, they took along a movie star, but they didn't take a lawyer," Jarvis said. "You can't go anywhere without a lawyer."

Jarvis thought a short paper, explaining how castaways should have brought along Jacoby and Meyers, would help him get started on his real work.

The longer he researched, the more legal references he found. In his conclusion, he writes: "In retrospect, it is not surprising to

discover a strong connection between Gilligan's Island and the law. After all, one would be hard pressed to find a group of characters more in need of a lawyer."

The travel law textbook has yet to be written.

"Having done it, it's kind of fun," Jarvis says now. "We write so much standard stuff, it was fun to break out."

Popular culturists are not surprised by his discovery.

"One of the things that popular culture does is simplify complex issues," says Gary Harmon, a professor of literature and English at the University of North Florida in Jacksonville. Harmon has helped create two journals of popular culture.

"These are cultural artifacts that are shared by multi-millions of people," Harmon said.

Jarvis has sent his paper to law journals and is considering expanding it into a book on television lawyers. Because of his research, Jarvis has turned into a walking fount of Gilligan trivia. Why couldn't the castaways build a boat? The iron on the island was too soft to make nails. Simple.

"I have to say, I have much more of an appreciation of the show," Jarvis said. "There's a lot of law going on here. It's fascinating."

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once on campus. They find they can walk to class faster than waiting for the bus to make the loop.

Perhaps the best-kept parking secret is the afternoon availability of the parking structure. For 50 cents (quarters only), anyone can park in the garage after 12:30. No permit is required, he said.

Evening students will generally fill the top level of the structure by 6:00 p.m., but all levels are available. Last Monday night, while the top level was full, 276 spaces were available on the middle level and 318 spaces were available on the lower level.

Students using the parking structure may have noticed the security cameras on the lower and middle levels and in the stair towers.

A blue flyer was recently mailed to students showing campus crime statistics, Kosel said. If you are a criminal, chances are very good that you are not hanging around UNO.

Kosel said reports of suspicious activity in the parking structure are infrequent and usually turn out to be no more than someone bending over to tie their shoes or stopping to admire a car. However, Security will provide an escort on campus, as well as jump start your car, unlock it, or help you change a tire (if you are physically unable).

For those students who park in the ravine east of the Arts and Sciences Hall, Kosel said, Security will escort you to the edge of campus (the split-rail fence at the top of the hill) and watch while you walk to your car and get safely on your way.

The ravine is city property and there was some discussion with the city last year regarding the possibility of using part as

official UNO parking. Cost was evidently a concern, and in the end the city seemed unwilling to part with the property. The city is responsible for monitoring illegal activity in that area, Kosel said.

Some people complain that no matter what, there never seems to be enough parking on campus. David Castilow, Director of Business Services at UNO, confirmed that a new parking structure is in the works for UNO. It was included in a campus master plan which was published in 1990. The plan included short term and long term projections. The bad news is, it's not going to happen within the next two or three years.

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didn't question anything."

Outside the building, faculty and students who would normally have been indoors huddled outdoors, exchanging views and fears about the situation.

"I heard the word around the office is that a professor up in chemistry had a student who was dissatisfied with a grade or something of the like sent him angry letters and 'rearranged' his office, but who's to be sure if this has anything to do with that, or if that's even true," one woman said. "When something happens like this, you never know."

Passers-by added comments. "If there is a bomb in there, why do they think it will only blow up half of the building?"

"Is this just an exercise in the metamorphosis of rumors?"

Others voiced more immediate concerns.

"My only concern is why [Campus Security] isn't taking more safety measures—they're just randomly telling passers-by that the northwest wing is being evacuated," Antonia Montana, a temporary secretary in the computer science department said. "A few years ago, I wouldn't have worried at all about something like this—but after the World Trade Center and Oklahoma City, we just can't ignore things like this."

When asked if UNO has a developed protocol for dealing with bomb threats, Harrison said that UNO does have a general crisis policy that would include situations such as this.

"I don't know if you would consider this a bomb threat since we don't know what's in the box," Harrison said Monday.

During her three years of tenure as media relations coordinator, a bomb squad has never been called to UNO.

As far as the partial evacuation was concerned, Harrison said that it would be up to security to decide whether or not to close down an entire building in a case like this.

"It's kind of a Catch-22. We don't want to needlessly alarm students in case there's really nothing to be worried about, but at the same time, we don't want students to be left in the dark in case there is cause for concern," Harrison said.

Fortunately, no bomb was discovered. The box was positively identified as a Twinkie box by bomb experts around 5 p.m. Monday.

Two names were left behind on the note discovered, although no names have been released, because the threat is still under investigation by the homicide unit, said Sgt. Kirby Warren of the Criminal Investigation Bureau.

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# Boys Town Hospital Criticized for Animal Testing on Cats

By BRIAN J. TODD

Approximately 70 people held a vigil at Boys Town National Research Hospital Tuesday, between 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m., to protest the hospital's use of animals in its medical research.

Clarinda Karpov, an organizer of the vigil and member of the group PETA (People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals) said she believed that using animals, specifically kittens which are used in research at the hospital, to test medications and medical theories was inhumane and non-beneficial.

"These days there are many viable alternatives to animal testing," Karpov said.

With the greater capability of computer models and other research tools like human tissue testing and testing of humans in general, Karpov said, there is no reason for research to be done on animals.

The hospital suspended all testing that involved animals on August 14 as a result of a complaint by PETA.

"I would like to see some non-partisan, independent board that could license animal testing and could verify the vital need (of any tests being done)," Karpov said.

Randy Blauvelt, public relation director for Boys Town, said the hospital takes all complaints very seriously and, immediately upon hearing the complaint from PETA, it suspended all animal testing until a review of the hospital by the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the National Institute of Health (NIH) could be completed.

A preliminary report issued by the NIH has concluded that all animal tests are conducted in a humane manner, Blauvelt said, and that the hospital is conducting very necessary research.

The hospital adheres to all federal regulations for animal research, he said, and conducts its tests in clean environments. When necessary researchers always administer pain medication to research animals.

Blauvelt said that he wished the hospital did not need to use animals in research either. Aside from the humanitarian concerns and the controversy that naturally comes with doing research on animals, animal research is several times more

expensive than other methods of research.

The hospital uses cats in research to discover ways to prevent and cure hearing loss in children, he said. The nerves that travel from the cochlea, a shell-shaped part of the inner ear, to the brain in cats works very similarly to the corresponding nerves in humans.

"Cats are an excellent research tool for this subject," Blauvelt said.

The hospital does use other methods of research, he said, such as computer modeling and human testing, but some tests simply must be carried out on live specimens and cats are most suitable for the research being done.

"I wish we could do research on grasshoppers or something that people would be less likely to get worked up over," he said.

Two of the concerns Karpov said she had with testing at the hospital were the use of government grants to pay for some of the research and the hospital's program of breeding their own research animals.

Taxpayers are paying for the animal testing which, Karpov said, is being used to advance the academic careers of the doctors involved in the research.

She also said that by using animals bred solely for research purposes, the hospital brings cats into the world without ever giving them a chance to become members of a family like the chance other cats get.

By having Boys Town involved in the research, Karpov said, the hospital using the name of an Omaha landmark to give the city a bad reputation nationally.

Basically everything PETA does, Blauvelt said, is a publicity stunt.

He said PETA is a extremist group that denounces everything from animal testing and meat eating to dog racing and the use of seeing-eye dogs.

Blauvelt said the reason the hospital breeds their own research animals is because in the past when they have received animals from private breeders, some of the animals were not healthy enough for the research that needed to be conducted.

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## 'Ultimate Revenge' Gets Playbook into Opponent's Hands

By MARCO BUSCAGLIA  
College Press Wire Service

Seven years after he graduated from Texas A&M University, Michael Kelley still can't get the rivalry with the University of Texas out of his blood. And unlike most of his fellow Aggie alumni, who are content to ride out the rivalry with support of the football team and disdain for their Longhorn co-workers, Kelley wanted to help out his alma mater in a practical way. Get the Texas football playbook.

But Kelley isn't planning some sinister late-night ransacking of a dorm room to get his hands on the prize. Instead, he filed a request to UT president Robert Berdahl under the Texas Public Information Act.

"I'm a football fan and I think a team's playbook would make for an interesting read," said Kelley, 28. "I admit that has something to do with it but to tell you the truth, I'm also interested in finding out the extent of the Public Information Act."

Kelley, a state legislative assistant who is currently taking graduate classes at UT's LBJ School of Public Affairs, says the university should open all its records to the public on the basis of the public money it receives. As he sees it, the UT playbook is just like any other public document.

"We can find out how much professors and administrators make because they are paid with tax dollars," Kelley said. "What's the difference between the athletic department's records and the administration's records?"

Not much, said Amber Connell, spokesperson for UT,

but Kelley's request isn't of the football staff's payroll. Instead, it's for information that most teams protect under lock and key because of the athletic implications. "I would think that the information he is asking for has less to do with an examination of his tax dollars and more to do with a football rivalry."

He probably wants to see how far he can stretch the system," she said.

Connell said she can't remember any specific requests for the team's playbook but she's sure people have tried. "I would bet there are plenty Aggies who would do plenty to get their hands on that," said Connell, a UT graduate. "I would try to get my hands on the A&M playbook if I knew how."

Connell says the playbook should ultimately fall under the protection of university privacy laws that govern the release of university research.

"Research is probably more competitive than football, but research professors can keep their records private until they decide to release them," Connell said. "There has to be something that protects the individuals that participate in these studies as well as the researchers themselves."

Kelley says he isn't sure. But like most waiting for Public Information requests, he may have to hold out a while before he knows whether he'll get the chance to study UT's offensive and defensive schemes.

The Aggies meet the Longhorns Nov. 29 in Austin for the final game of the regular



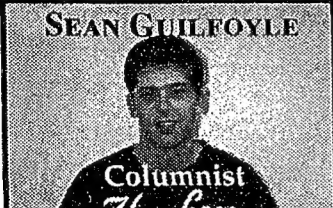
# Opinions & Editorials

## 'Lies, Lies, Lies'

The 2nd Congressional District race between James Martin Davis and Rep. Jon Christensen has caused quite a stir concerning student loans. The spread of false information by the Davis campaign has left many wondering the future of this program.

As in most election years, mudslinging and falsehoods are at peak rates. It is easier to accuse or denounce a person or program, than it is to give actual facts concerning the issue. In many cases, the accusers do not have any facts. Unfortunately, it is not against the law to distribute opinions

that have total disregard for the truth. Free speech allows those who have opinions to express them. I am not a proponent of that. I am opposed, however, to blatant lies that can seriously damage an issue beyond



repair. Many times we believe what we hear, assuming it to be factual. This is not the case concerning student loans.

I would not be here if it were not for student loans. I have paid for my education with these very same loans, so consider me an advocate of the student loan program.

Many points have been set on the table about the student loan program. The myths and truths need to be separated so we can look at the facts and then make an educated deduction from that information.

In a recent speech given at Creighton University, Mr. Davis said that Congress plans to reduce the number of federally-granted student loans from \$28 million to \$3 million per year. Davis also stated that Christensen wants to cut \$10 billion out of the federal student loan program over the next seven years, in addition to making students start paying off their loans upon graduation.

First and foremost, student loans are not, I repeat, not being cut by the Republican Congress. The Balanced Budget Act, which is where student loans are being affected, actually increases spending on loans by almost 50 percent over the next seven years, from \$25 billion in 1995 to \$36 billion in 2002.

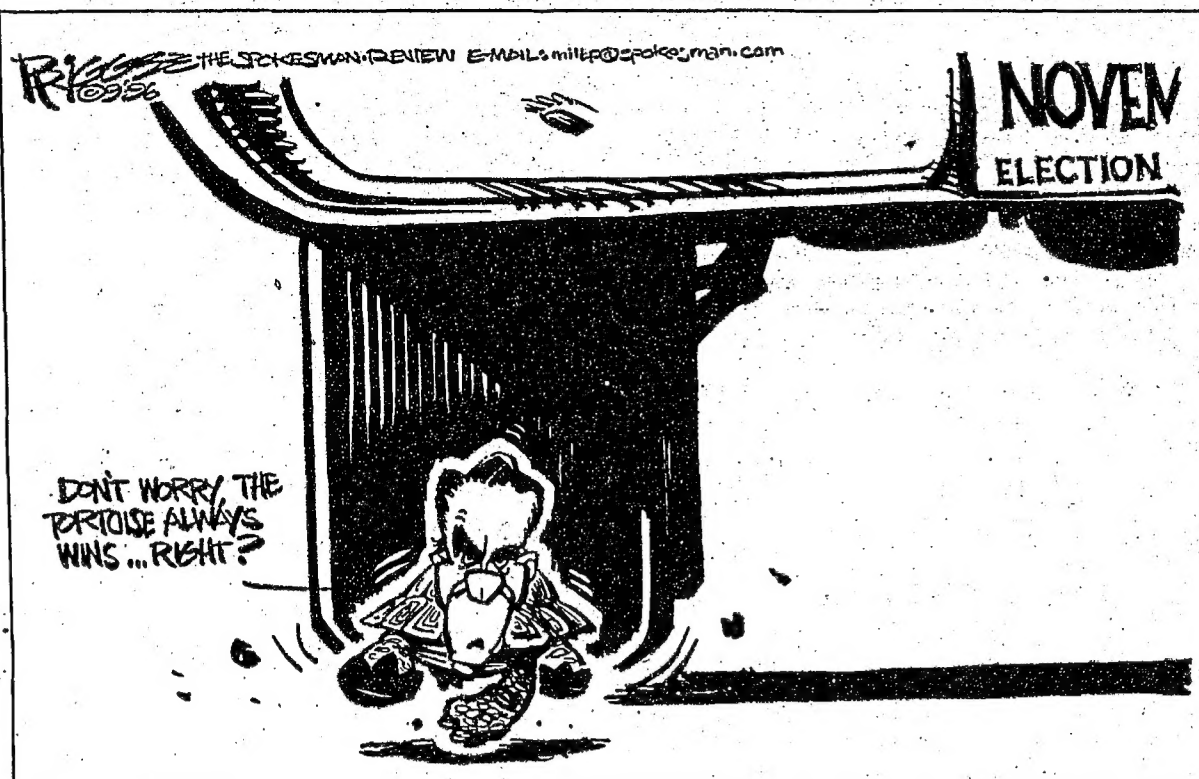
Not only is spending increased, more loans will be available for the upcoming year, growing from 6.6 million loans in 1995 to 7.1 million in 1996.

In addition to growth and increased availability, students will actually save money, since interest rates are being reduced for new loans, effective July, 1998.

The facts speak for themselves. The Balanced Budget Act does not affect the amount of student loans available, does not change interest rates or fees that are charged to students, does not change eligibility requirements, and does not eliminate the six-month grace period before beginning repayment. Sounds like someone has their lies — er, facts — wrong.

Davis is misconstruing the voters into believing that Rep. Christensen does not support student loans. Nothing could be further from the truth.

I challenge you, as readers, to take a closer look at the issues. Do not simply accept what is said. Evaluate the facts. Make an educated decision that is not based on half-truths. In the end, you will see that "cheaters never win, and winners never cheat." Mr. Davis needs to quit his character assassination, and present the voters with some clear and concise facts concerning the issue of student loans. Demand nothing less than that. It is our right. Otherwise, we, as constituents, will be spoon-fed statements by Mr. Davis that are grossly inaccurate. Let the facts speak for themselves.



## 'Can I Have a REAL Choice, Please?'

What a terrific choice we voters have this year. If you vote for Dole, you get the establishment. If you vote for Clinton, you get... the establishment. No matter how extraordinary the rhetoric, it all seems to boil down to the same old thing.

I imagine some of you will argue that one candidate or the other has a better plan, a better method, a better ideology. Maybe. To me, though, it just doesn't seem to matter who I vote for. I will never really get what was promised me.

Remember when Clinton promised, with that really convincing "sincere" look he has, that he would not raise taxes on the middle class? Within a year there was a tax increase.

Remember two years ago when the Republicans were making a huge fuss over Clinton's tax hike? Well, the Republicans won the House and the Senate for the first time in a million years, and guess how many Republicans introduced bills to repeal the tax hike? Zero.

I'm sure they all, Democrats and Republicans, have their reasons. Well, I'm sorry, but I just don't want to hear it anymore.

I shared my feelings with my friends and, as much as I hate to say it, we were all resigned to becoming non-voting members of this republic. So imagine my reaction when my friend made this announcement:

"I've decided who I'm gonna vote for!"

"Who?" I said, waiting for the punchline.

"Harry Browne!"

He was pretty excited. I grinned, figuring he'd decided to write in the name of some "average Joe" on the street. "Harry Browne", as far as I was concerned was interchangeable with "John Doe."

It took some explaining, but he convinced me that this man did actually exist, and was actually running for President. He also told me about Ralph Nader (the Pinto guy!), Howard Phillips, and John Hagelin.

How come I'd never heard of these guys? True, some of them are pretty "out there"... but look at Ross Perot. I hear about him everyday!

What's the difference? The answer is simple. Money.

See, if Perot hadn't bought his way into the American political scene, he'd be an unknown in politics, too. It follows, then, that since Howard Phillips, who is the candidate for the U. S. Taxpayer's Party, couldn't possibly afford to buy a network or two for an evening, he's an unknown. As are the rest of them.

So what, if anything, should we do? First of all, we need to decide if these "unknowns" deserve to be heard. I say yes.

When we limit the national discourse to two voices (Clinton and Dole), we limit the pool of ideas. For example, Pat Buchanan did not win the nomination, but his ideas made a lasting impact on the Republican platform. In the same way, four years ago Perot had an important impact on the race and (more importantly) on the minds of American voters. The more

ideas on the table, the better.

If we agree that more ideas (and diverse ideas) are good for the political process, then what can we do to insure that these ideas can be heard? Some would have us believe that more money would insure a wider dispersal of ideas. I think, rather, it would ensure an even more intense barrage of the same old ideas. Money is not the answer. If anything, it's part of the problem.

Call me crazy, but I have an idea for a partial solution. Let's allow more candidates in the nationally-televised debates.

Four years ago today, Perot had a lower rating than he does right now. Interestingly, in 1992, after he appeared in the Presidential debates on national television, his ratings went way up. The debates cost him nothing. The debates are free for the candidates.

The "free" part would help the political process immensely. No longer would we be limited only to the opinions of those persons and parties who were rich enough to buy time on national television. We would actually have "free" speech. Now there's an idea!

As things stand now, however, the debate situation looks grim. It looks like

Perot (and, by extension, the "unknowns") will not be allowed at the debates because a commission has decided they are not worthy of being heard.

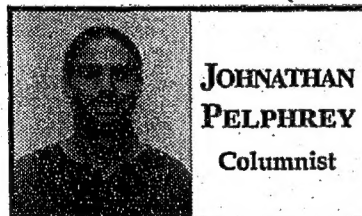
Here, according to the Commission on Presidential Debates, are the criteria for inclusion: 1. The candidate must be on the ballot in enough states to have a mathematical chance to win. (Currently, this includes Browne (50) and Perot (48).) 2. The candidate must be newsworthy and competitive. (In other words, the media has to deem him or her worthy.) 3. The candidate must have some popular backing on the national level.

The way our society works today (unfortunately), the third criterion pretty much follows the second. People don't know anything unless they've been taught it by someone on television.

So we either: A) throw away our televisions and start educating ourselves, or B) get rid of criterion two. (Criterion three, popularity, should be satisfied by the fact that people cared enough to sign petitions that would put a candidate's name on the ballot.)

I prefer choice A, but I'll settle for B at this point. I'm desperate. So what would happen if the debates weren't limited to only the Republicans and the Democrats? Would the sun stop shining? Maybe for the major candidates. But not for American voters. At worst, we'd come away with some new and interesting ideas to think about. At best, we'd begin to take steps toward finding real solutions to our country's problems.

A more open debate wouldn't hurt anyone but establishment politicians. I'm not opposed to that. How about you?





## 'Administration is What Killed KBLZ'

I am writing in response to the actions taken and comments made in the September 10 issue of the *Gateway* by Guy Conway and the UNO Administration with regard to the shutting down of the student radio station KBLZ.

Conway showed how out of touch he is with the student body in the article with comments like, "The format is not well-received by the general campus population," and "Most people do not want to hear it."

I will show later in this piece how absurd those statements are, but first I want to share with you a little history of the station and cite examples of KBLZ's struggle to become an actual over-the-air station during a six-year period.

The station as it has been known on campus in recent years came into being in 1988. An "alternative" format was instituted that year because it was clearly the wave of the future on college campuses throughout the country. We have seen recently that "alternative" has become the mainstream with the popularity of 101.9 FM "The Edge" sponsoring the Edgefest at Aksarben, attracting over 25,000 people. More than a few of which, one could guess, were UNO students.

KBLZ set forth a mission plan in 1988 of raising the standards of the station and eventually becoming another option to KVNO which, while a fine facility that serves the public interest, offers little opportunities for students to work and learn, unlike KYNE channel 26.

By 1989, KBLZ was ready for prime time. We had fine-tuned the station to the point where it could be taken to the next level — as the sister station of KVNO that students could connect with.

Omaha businessman Alan Baer offered the university a low-interest loan of \$50,000 to purchase equipment for KBLZ to help make our dream a reality. The university balked. They wanted donations, not loans, and besides, they didn't like the idea of that kind of money going to one campus organization. Needless to say, Baer was insulted and KBLZ had to come up with another plan.

We had a petition drive and letter-writing campaign in 1989-90 and were told by former Vice Chancellor Richard Hoover in a meeting that none of it was necessary and that the administration "doesn't believe in petitions." You can imagine how demoralized we became. We pushed on, though, getting Student Senate support for getting on a Cox Cable public access channel for a short period.

Finally, a proposal was made to get additional speakers installed on campus so the station could be heard. It was approved by the administration but somebody, we don't know who, pulled the plug on the project before any work could get started.

During the '90s, KBLZ survived, due to the hard work of

some very committed and PROFESSIONAL people who worked with what they had.

As recent as 1992, the station conducted extensive surveys of the student body. Every student we spoke to supported the idea of a student-run, on-air college radio station and 70 percent of respondents liked the idea of hearing about upcoming campus events and other news and information. KBLZ had consistently delivered this and more over the years.

As far as the airing of songs with explicit lyrics are concerned, KBLZ kept a tight reign on the DJs as far as what was expected. When somebody got out of line, they were let go. Guy Conway seems to think that the problem on 1994-95 was intentional and that explicit lyrics were part and parcel of the programming. They were not. I talked with Jason Combs early in 1995

and I asked him if those songs were part of the rotation. He told me point-blank they were not and that the incidents were the cause of a few smart-alecks trying to be cute.

As far as the complaints Conway talked about, I agree that the explicit songs should not have been aired, but my guess is that more than a few of the complaints were from people who simply didn't care for the music and whose tastes are differ-

ent. Well, KBLZ wasn't designed to give people their Garth Brooks or Led Zeppelin fix. We went beyond the normal fare offered in town. This is why it should be on a college campus. Expanding your horizons — that's why it's called a UNIVERSITY.

As far as closing the station down, I don't think they ever wanted the station back this year. Why wasn't the building rewired during the renovation when it was supposed to? The \$10,000 Conway says it would take to do should have been included in the cost of the renovation.

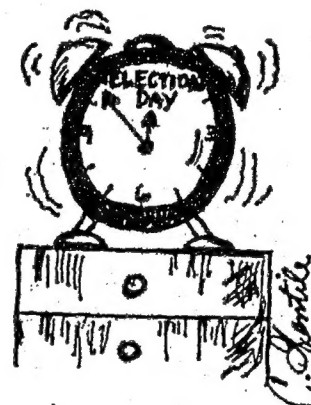
Ultimately, it was the administration that blew it with KBLZ, not the students. They blew a golden opportunity to help create (and take credit for like politicians do) a living, breathing, broadcast entity that could have enhanced campus life at UNO immeasurably. Instead, administrators like Conway, who used to be very supportive, are succeeding at creating the most sterile and antiseptic campus possible for their friends in the private sector who come to visit and donate money.

I would like to thank, in closing, everyone on campus who helped us over the years. The communications department, KVNO, the Student Senate, student organizations too numerous, and, of course, the students themselves who really wanted to see the station on the air.

It was fun while it lasted. Rest in peace, KBLZ.

**New Perspectives**

**Michael Jacobs**  
KBLZ Program Director  
1988-1991



"I guess now it's time to finally take action in Iraq... Hee... Hee..."

## "Is there anything wrong with same-sex marriages?"



**Patty Steck**  
Senior philosophy major

"Civil ceremonies are fine with me. I don't think religious institutions should be forced to accept them."



**Pat McCormick**  
Senior philosophy major

"No, as long as gay divorce is the same brutal nightmare as heterosexual divorce."



**Jeannette Seaberry**  
Assistant professor of counseling

"They are going to run into obstacles — difficulties, prejudice. I think if they thought it through and figured out a way to manage it and strategies for handling it, I think it's do-able."



**Michelle R. Sherman**  
Graduate counseling student

"I don't see a problem with it. There's always going to be a social stigma. But I think with allowing same-sex marriages, that maybe people will not be so stigmatized."



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## New Program Director Continues Quest for Education, Understanding

By JONATHAN PELPHREY

The Women's Studies Program at UNO has a new coordinator this semester and a continuing commitment to provide students with a unique perspective on the world.

Dr. Sandra K. Squires, an associate professor of behavioral disorders, special education and communication disorders, took over the position of coordinator from Dr. Lenore Kuo, an associate professor in philosophy. "I started this semester," said Squires, "It's a two-year term that we rotate [among the faculty in the program]."

The Women's Studies Program draws faculty from every college on campus except the College of Business Administration, said Squires.

"It's an interdepartmental program," she said. "That's one of the things that makes it the most interesting, because the Women's Studies faculty come from all over campus."

Squires said the program had a unique perspective to offer students. "We're trying to share with students — through our courses and through speakers that come in — a women's perspective, a perspective of looking at the values and contributions of women so that it's not a forgotten group of people," she said.

According to Squires, this perspective is much-needed and could help provide students with a more balanced view of the world. "Most of the contributions that we read about are the contributions of men that are white," she said. "That's kind of the way the history books have been written. And we're trying to say that there were a lot of people who made contributions who are women." Squires said she hopes the Women's Studies Program will inform students about these women and their contributions.

Squires was quick to point out that the program is not only for women. "Most of the faculty are women, but we do have male faculty members," she said. The program has even had a male coordinator, Squires said. "We are not exclusively female on either the teaching end or the administrative end of it — and certainly not on the student end. We want to encourage male students," she said.

The program attempts to reach as many people as possible. Squires pointed to the most recent lecture co-sponsored by the Women's Studies Program. "We've talked a lot about people's belief systems. We've had people in from

religion, philosophy, many different types of backgrounds," she said, speaking of sponsored events in the past. In an effort to try something different, members of the Women's Studies Committee wanted to reach out to that group of people that normally might not be attracted to Women's Studies offerings, according to Squires.

They invited Helen Thayer who, at 50 years old, became the first woman to travel alone, on foot to the North Pole — without any re-supply. Squires said the lecture drew a good crowd and was extremely successful. "It was really an inspiring story, and I've even had people say to me months afterwards, 'I still remember the inspiration Helen gave me.'"

To bring Thayer to UNO, the Women's Studies Program collaborated with the College of Education, the departments of geography and geology, gerontology, Outdoor Recreation, and the Women's Resource Center.

The plans for this year have not yet been finalized.

Classes offered by the Women's Studies Department have been very well received, said Squires. "They do really fill up, which tells us that people do want this perspective in their college experience."

Squires said she and others have been working toward making

Women's Studies a department, as opposed to a program. A program cannot grant majors in that field of study. "Our goal is always toward becoming a department and having [Women's Studies] as a major."

In order to do so, she said, "we would have to show that there is significant interest. . . and get approval for a faculty line." The faculty could possibly be shared with another department.

Squires is cautious, yet optimistic about the chances of the Women's Studies Program one day becoming a department. "It can be done," she said, citing the creation of two new departments and a center in the new College of Information Science and Technology.

Squires said it is important that people are exposed to the ideas and opportunities available in the field of women's studies. "I wish," she said, "something like this had been available to me when I was in school."

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## Offensive E-mail Sent To Columbia Students

By KIM VAN DUZER

The Daily Spectator

NEW YORK—Several first-year Columbia University students and one staff member received an e-mail message containing racial slurs and expletives, composed anonymously after a student failed to log out after using her e-mail account.

By not logging out, the student enabled another person to send the message under her name.

The author of the e-mail began the message by stating "This place is meant for WHITE people." The message proceeded to attack African American students for attending Columbia and included slurs aimed at Jews, Hispanics, homosexuals, and African Americans. The author signed the message with the name of the student on whose account the message was composed. Under the account-holder's name, the message author appended the title "White Supremacist."

Of the 11 people who received the message, 10 are first-year students. The other recipient is a staff member at the C.V. Starr East Asian Library. All of the students are either residents of Carman or Schapiro Halls, and nine are students in the School of Engineering and Applied Sciences (SEAS).

Jeffrey Oishi, SEAS '00 and a recipient of the message, said he was using his account when the message arrived at around 9 p.m. Sept. 5.

"When I first read it, I was surprised," Oishi said. "I wouldn't

have thought that would have happened anywhere, especially here." Oishi said he was also surprised at how openly the apparent author signed her name to the message.

"Usually, when someone says stuff like that they don't admit to it so blatantly," he said.

Oishi printed out the message and showed it to his RA, who brought the matter to the attention of First Year Program Deans Kathryn Balmer and Richard Slusarczyk.

Another recipient of the message, Andrew Halpert, SEAS '00, said the incident was disturbing but did not necessarily reflect the prevailing opinion on campus.

"For a minute it was kind of scary, but when I talked to people about it and saw how shocked everyone was, I realized that this kind of opinion is in the minority," Halpert said. "I was happy with the way people dealt with it."

Both Oishi and Halpert said they had no idea why they were chosen to receive the message.

Balmer said the deans are investigating the incident, which she called "a very serious offense."

"This kind of action is simply not tolerated at Columbia University, and the person who did it needs to know we're not looking the other way," she said.

Disciplinary measures are handled on a case-by-case basis, Balmer said, stressing that the incident would not be considered

merely a prank.

"Every member of the community is to be respected, and any violation of that is dealt with very seriously—this is something we teach students from Orientation on," Balmer said. "It's part of one's education at Columbia and training to be a responsible adult."

The student from whose account the message was sent said she had been using her e-mail account in the Carman computer lab the night of Sept. 5 and had forgotten to log out when leaving the terminal.

Someone on her floor received the e-mail message and brought it to her attention shortly after it was sent, the student said. She immediately forwarded an e-mail message to all of the recipients explaining that she was not responsible for the contents of the message.

"Everyone was very nice once they realized the situation," she said.

Slusarczyk told the student that the deans were investigating the incident, but that it would be difficult to trace who had sent the message.

"I feel a lot more comfortable now that everyone has been notified that it wasn't really me," the account-holder said. "It's still terrible that there's someone out there thinking and writing these things, but at least now my name is cleared from it."



# SEARCHING FOR MIGRAINE CURE

## Searching For Migraine Cure -- A Real Headache

BY KARA SCHWEISS

Tension headaches can be painful and aggravating, but imagine that pain accompanied by nausea, vomiting, numbness and perceptions of flashing lights.

"Most people feel wiped out after the headache," said Dr. Kristen Fulton of the University of Nebraska Medical Center's Brentwood Village Clinic. Although her specialty is internal medicine, she has researched migraines extensively and knows the subject firsthand because she suffers from migraines herself.

"It's really a debilitating problem, and it hits people in the prime of life," she said. The ordeal occurs repeatedly during young adulthood, usually the most active part of a person's life.

Tension headaches and migraines can be equally painful, but migraines are distinguished by symptoms seemingly neurological in nature, such as nausea and vomiting before and during the headache. Some individuals even experience visual impulses of dark spots or flashing lights in front of the eyes, numbness or tingling, and sensitivity to light or sound.

"Often times migraines affect the whole body. It's really a syndrome of things," Fulton said.

Physicians once classified migraines as "vascular" headaches because they theorized that the pain resulted from changes in blood vessels, Fulton said. This limited definition failed to address the nervous symptoms most migraine sufferers displayed. Migraines are now classified as "neurovascular," which acknowledges both the pain and secondary symptoms victims typically experience.

Although the medical community generally recognizes that migraines affect nerves as well as blood vessels, researchers are still uncertain of their exact cause. Nonetheless, they have

**"No definite cure for migraines exists. Because symptoms and triggering influences differ greatly from person to person, the problem can be difficult to treat."**

established links to certain chemical and behavioral influences.

One influence is the hormone estrogen. Although equal numbers of pre-adolescent females and males experience migraines, women sufferers outnumber men three-to-one. These results are supported by further evidence that changes in estrogen levels during pregnancy or from oral contraceptives

can trigger headaches in some women, Fulton said.

The tendency towards migraines seems to have a strong hereditary link. As many as 80 percent of migraine sufferers can identify a hereditary link, according to an information pamphlet published by the Headache Foundation.

Certain chemicals in chocolate, alcohol, and aged cheese may lead to migraines in some individuals. Changes in sleeping or eating habits, or in level of activity, seem to cause problems in others.

No definite cure for migraines exists. Because symptoms and triggering influences differ greatly from person to person, the problem can be difficult to treat.

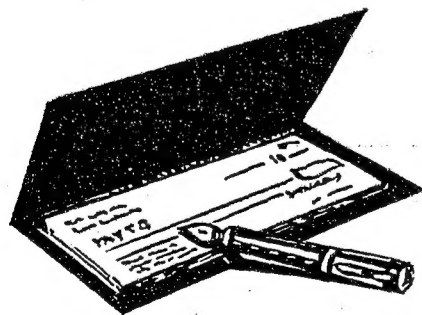
Even so, a person who experiences migraines can find hope for relief, said Fulton. She can begin self-treatment by keeping a log of possible activities or substances that seem to precede and aggravate the migraines. Avoiding these activities may lead to a reduction in migraines. Fulton also recommended over-the-counter pain relievers for infrequent sufferers, but said anyone experiencing three or more episodes a month should consult a physician. Prescribed drugs may include pain inhibitors, vasoconstrictors, and even anti-depressants. One new drug, Imitrex, seems to be particularly effective for individuals whose headaches defy traditional therapies.

Treatment for migraines may be elusive, but Fulton said patients should not hesitate to seek a physician's advice if taking over-the-counter drugs or eliminating triggers proves unsuccessful.

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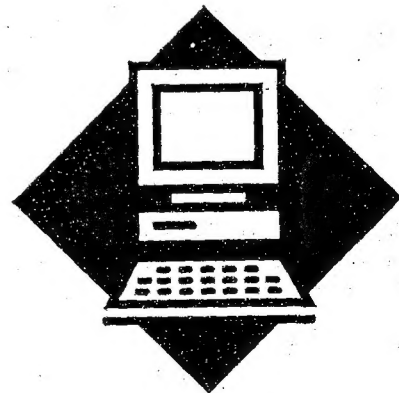
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# Fire Safety More Than Just 'Stop, Drop and Roll'

By BEN KOMAR

Beyond testing the smoke alarm batteries, and the ever popular stop, drop, and roll how much do people really know about fire safety?

Although many take fire safety for granted, last year 600,000 Americans lost their homes in fires.

Chief John Nichols, of the Omaha Fire Department, said that 100 percent of all fires in the home are preventable.

The United States is the most careless nation in the world as far as fire safety goes — the state of New Jersey alone has more fires than the entire nation of Japan. Why are Americans so reckless?

"Because Americans figure 'If there's a fire, just call the Fire Department,'" said Chief Nichols.

Fifty percent of all residential fires begin in the kitchen. This is often the result of leaving an open flame unattended, for example when a person puts a pot on the stove and leaves the kitchen to answer the phone. Because a grease fire can be spread by water it's a good idea to keep baking soda or, if possible, a fire extinguisher handy in the kitchen.

Chief Nichols said it is important to contact 911 before attempting to extinguish any major fires. Those who own a fire extinguisher, may want to take a lesson from the Fire Department on how to use it.

Other residential fires tend to occur in the bedroom or den. Often these fires are started by children playing with matches. Usually the bed will catch fire first. The panicking child will

hide in the closet, decreasing his or her chances of being rescued. The child might also leave the room, believing the fire will go away by itself.

In the winter, most fires are caused by electrical space heaters. Space heaters should always be unplugged when no one is in the room. Even if heaters are kept away from newspapers, furniture, and carpeting, there is still a danger that the heater will overheat and catch fire. Problems can arise when people use improper extension cords with heaters, causing the cords to overheat and catch fire.

Check that smoke detector. Once a fire is underway it doubles in size every 60 seconds. Within five minutes, an entire house could be gone. Five minutes may not be a lot of time to escape, but that's still five more minutes than you might have had without a smoke detector.

If the smoke detector does go off, don't just blindly bound through the bedroom door to see what the commotion is about — check the door first to make sure it's not hot. If it is, it is best to have an alternate route planned out beforehand.

Here are some quick and easy steps take to help prevent fires in the home:

\* Keep cans of gasoline away from the house — preferably in a shed in the back yard. If gasoline is kept in the basement, fumes can travel to the water heater or furnace and ig-

--see Fire, below--

## Smokeless Tobacco Safety Theory Goes Up in Smoke

By RODNEY MOORHEAD

Think smokeless tobacco is safer than cigarettes? Think again.

Dr. John Seminara, of Georgetown Family Dentistry, said smokeless tobacco is far worse for the mouth than cigarettes.

Besides staining teeth, smokeless tobacco causes cells in the gum tissue to lose oxygen and builds up a crust in the gums. This crust is known as pre-cancerous tissue. Chances are that it will eventually turn cancerous, Seminara said.

Dr. Garret Parker, a physician at Bergen Mercy Health Clinics, said that in addition to the risk of oral cancer, smokeless tobacco can also cause other types of cancers: stomach, bladder, and throat cancer.

According to the American Cancer Society, 25,000 new cases of oral cancer and 9,000 deaths each year are attributed to chewing tobacco.

Nicotine ingested using smokeless tobacco is more highly concentrated than nicotine ingested from cigarettes, Parker said. The use of smokeless tobacco can cause ulcers, weight loss, nausea, and addiction. Studies by major universities have shown that people who are addicted to nicotine do not do as well on academic tests as non-nicotine addicted students.

He said other lesser-known problems are caused by smokeless tobacco. Nicotine, for example, can cause diminished sexual performance. Problems frequently encountered include diminished orgasm or lack of orgasm. It can also cause erection problems in men.

Nicotine can also cause diminished athletic performance, Parker said. Cigarettes affect the lungs and heart, but smokeless tobacco adversely affects primarily the heart.

Because smokeless tobacco has higher nicotine levels, it stimulates the heart to beat faster. Because the heart is overworked, a person cannot push himself as hard as he could if the person did not "chew." The higher nicotine count constricts the blood flow, causing many problems such as oxygen deprivation to the skin, which can lead to premature aging.

Trying to quit smokeless tobacco can be quite difficult, Parker said. People who do not get their daily "fix" of nicotine will be nervous and edgy, and may even put on some weight.

--from Fire, above--

nite. Cover gasoline and any other flammable substances such as paint and wood finish with some sort of plastic tarp.

\* Dispose of ashes properly, whether from cigarettes, fireplaces, or grills. Douse embers with water, they're still capable of igniting for up to two hours after burning themselves out. Don't wear loose clothing while cooking.

\* Don't keep a lot of unnecessary newspapers or trash in the house, in the event of fire, these can cause the fire to spread more quickly.

\* Avoid using many extension cords. The more cords you use, the more power it takes to supply them, increasing the likelihood they will overheat. Avoid the use of low gauge extension cords outside or in conjunction with heavy appliances. Also, do not run extension cords — or any cords — through doorways or under carpeting.

\* When working with your home's electrical system, be sure to use compatible parts. For example, copper outlets and aluminum wiring do not mix. Also, it's important for people to know what they are doing before attempting these home projects.

\* In the event of a disaster such as a tornado, shut off the main gas line. Attempting this can cause more harm than good without proper knowledge of the procedure.

\* And remember — nothing is "fireproof." Some things may be "fire resistant," meaning that when removed from a flame, they are self-extinguishing. But everything, even steel, will burn when exposed to fire.

\* Cars rarely catch on fire, so wear that seat belt without fear of being caught in a blazing automobile!



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# SPORTS

## UNO VOLLEYBALL 1996 Recent Results/Schedule record: 0-0 in the NCC, 12-0 overall

**This Week:** The Lady Mavs travel to Vermillion, SD and Sioux City, IA this weekend to face their first conference opponents.

The Lady Mavs have won 23 straight games this season. In the past 32 matches dating to Sept. 22 of last year, Rose Shire's club is 28-4. UNO is 38-1 against the University of South Dakota (4-7) and 15-4 against the Morningside Chiefs (10-2), all-time.

**Last Week:** The Lady Mavs swept all three matches last weekend at the NCC/Northern Sun tournament in Marshall, MN. UNO is 12-0 on the season and No. 3 in the country.

Last Friday, the team defeated Northern State (15-5, 15-6, 15-11) and defeated Bemidji State (15-3, 16-14, 15-5). Saturday the team topped Southwest State (15-10, 15-10, 15-6) and defeated Moorhead State (15-6, 15-2, 15-0).

Junior Tanya Cate had a strong tournament. Except for one subpar match, Cate had attack percentages of .421 or higher.

**Lady Mav Starters - Non-Starters for Friday and Saturday's Matches**

### STARTERS

setter Amy Steffel #12 (5-7, Sr., Maplewood, MN, 13.03 avg, 3.05 dpg), mid blocker Tanya Cate #4 (5-10, Jr., Yutan, NE, 3.26 kpg, 2.63 dpg), mid blocker Kim Gerdes #9 (6-0, Jr., Denver, CO, 2.34 kpg, 1.29 dpg), outside hitter Erin Shafer #8 (5-9, Jr., Colorado Springs, CO, 3.32 kpg, 3.24 dpg), outside hitter Christyn Malone #5 (5-9, Jr., Palisade, NE, 3.16 kpg, 2.89 dpg), def. specialist Jamie Shafer #10 (5-7, Soph., Omaha, NE, 2.45 dpg, 16 aces)

### RESERVES

setter Cheri Pribyl #14 (5-6, Soph., Bellevue, NE), mid blocker Chris Brink #11 (6-0, Fresh., Tracy, MN), mid blocker Krista Niezwaag #15 (5-10, Fresh., Charles City, IA), outside hitter Christy Fossum #6 (5-9, Soph., Foley, MN), outside hitter Korrine Boltin #7 (5-10, Fresh., Omaha, NE)

## Mankato State Coach Worried About Turnovers, Thompson and UNO Defense

By TONY REINKE

After looking at UNO game films for the past two weeks, Mankato State head coach Dan Runkle said the Maverick option-and-pass defense will decide the game Saturday — that is, if Mankato can hold onto the ball.

"We were disappointed in our loss to Northwest Missouri State last week," he said. "I thought we played well, but eight turnovers makes it tough to win."

The Mankato State Mavericks lost four balls to fumbles, three

to interceptions and one to a blocked punt which was returned for a touchdown. All this led to Mankato State's 41-25 loss to a team they had not fallen to in five years.

Another reason for Mankato's 1-1 start to the season has been rushing — UNO's specialty. In their first two games of the season, Runkle's team has allowed an average of 190 yards per game. After the first two games of the season, UNO ranks No. 2 in the country with an average of 402 yards per game.

"I'm impressed with UNO's running game," Runkle said. "Their quarterback has run well in the first two games. Hastings isn't a real good indicator but UNK was solid. UNO can run the ball."

Against Kearney last week, UNO ran for 321 yards. Quarterback Ed Thompson led the Mavs with 110 and Melvin McPhaul added 97. Five of UNO's six touchdowns came on the ground.

Quarterback Thompson is the only known Maverick quarterback to rush for 100 or more yards in a game.

"UNO's option play is designed for the quarterback run," Runkle said. "They block the person that is responsible for the quarterback. Their scheme is solid."

Thompson leads the team in rushing touchdowns with four.

"I expect Thompson to run enough to keep us honest," Runkle said. "UNO rushes well. We'll be trying to stop the rush."

With an offense that throws the ball 55 percent of the time, Runkle's main concern will be NCC player of the week Bryon Holston and the Mav pass defense.

"It seemed like when the quarterbacks weren't lying on their backs they were fighting for their lives," he said. "The front four of UNO did a great job, and they will make it a tough game."

Mankato State quarterback John Hebgen knows pressure. Northwest Missouri State sacked the senior five times in last week's loss. He managed a 25-for-39 day with 361 yards despite "being on his back most the game," Runkle said.

The front four for UNO (Holston, Gary Charles, Jay Wineinger and Damon Hanson) account for 79 tackles this year. The UNO defense has allowed 39 yards per game to opponents — ranking them No. 8 in the country.

"(Playing a rush defense) Is like rolling the dice," Runkle said. "Sometimes you make the big play and sometimes they do."



UNO receiver Jake Young (#3, above) started the game quickly with 42 receiving yards last week. Ed Thompson (#12 below) will be the Mavs' starting quarterback Saturday against Mankato State.

Lisa O'Bradovich

## Student Seating Selection Under Fire

By TONY REINKE

Student seating's role in UNO football games is under fire from both sides of the field. While the cheerleaders and football players are on the west side, the UNO student section is on the east next to the visitors section.

Until a few years ago, the football team and cheerleaders were on the east, along with the students. Dwindling attendance by students promoted the reserved section (west) to demand a switch of the team's sideline — they succeeded.

But now UNO is winning games and students are showing more interest in 1996 and have raised a question — the team switched sides, shouldn't the student section?

"That is a good point but the west side is the reserved section," Associate Athletic Director Bob Danenhauer said. "The students get in for free which entitles them to general admission. There inlays the problem."

And it has been a problem former UNO football player and Student Regent candidate Wally Waller is addressing.

"To stimulate more student involvement in their activities UNO should involve the student body in as many things as possible," he said. "By putting the student body on the opponents sideline, it's a way of excommunicating them from their home side."

Danenhauer says no switch can be expected in the coming weeks because student support or demand isn't there.

"I'll be honest, I was disappointed in the turnout by our student body. Hopefully as we win, the students will begin to

come to see their school play," Danenhauer said.

Waller says the separation of students and team could be a reason for low student turnout.

"If I was a regular student, and I have paid my fees and my tuition and I have a little card and they tell me that I have to sit on the 'enemy's' side, I don't think I would want to go," he said.

The fact remains, although attendance is rising, many reserved seats aren't occupied. A reporter at last Saturday's game estimated that more students sat in the reserved section than the student area.

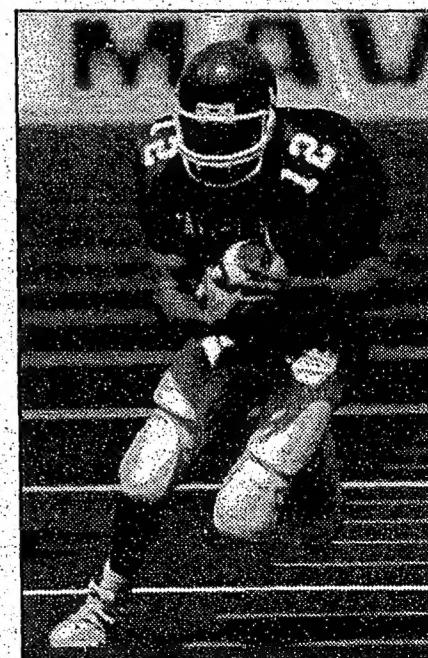
The only way a student could sit behind UNO and the cheerleaders would be to pay the \$7 fee.

"The home side is for those people who pay for the ticket," Waller said. "They (the UNO ticket office) want to save seats for those people. On a consistent basis, UNO does not sell out — I don't think we've ever sold out — but until we do, the students should have the priority to sit on the home sideline."

Last week, few students sat in the designated seating, which lies close to the endzone. Danenhauer said one possible solution is putting the student section in the north bleachers — but student showing may still dwindle. Waller still says that moving the students to a more attractive sight is most important.

It was disheartening in last week's game, televised around

—see Seating, page 10—



Jason Young



# College Football Returns to UNO-- But Where Are the UNO Students?

For those of you waiting for college football to arrive at UNO, hold on — it may be here.

The definition of college football would have been defined by the late Mr. Webster as "two teams of collegiate athletes tangled in the game of football." But college football reaches far beyond the tangibles. College football is about school unity against another, tailgate parties, large crowds and media exposure — college football may be

## SPORTS OPINION By Tony Reinke Sports Editor

here.

Since 1987, only one UNO football team has won more games than they lost. The Mavs are haunted by 2-9 seasons in 1990, 1992 and 1993 and the great teams of the mid-1980's.

When now-head coach Pat Behrns began in 1994, UNO dropped to 1-10. But that has changed.

The Mav's 2-0 start to 1996, has brought the attention of UNO to football fans in Nebraska. Saturday's 6,400 fans who saw UNO run over Kearney 39-14 was in sharp contrast to the 4,800 fans who saw UNO drop-kicked by North Dakota State in the Mavs second home game last year.

"The community has supported UNO athletics well," Associate Athletic Director Bob Danenhauer said. "Corporate sponsors are lined up and two major promotions are going on at each game. Those attractions help, but our local sports personalities help promote it during the week."

But where are the students?

Last week, a UNO official estimated that less than 100 students showed up — but 6,300 other Nebraskans did.

Obviously, the Mavs' near past is haunting, but they're 2-0 on the season and college football fans are taking advantage as they did in the glory days.

"(The low attendance) is always disappointing," Danenhauer said. "If I didn't know any better, I wouldn't say it was disappointing, but I do. I played when we packed the stands," he said, remembering 1978, the first time UNO was No. 1 in the country and the first time UNO made the playoffs.

Not only did the fans in Al Caniglia field witness another step towards postseason play in the rebuilding program Saurday, but everyone in the state had the opportunity to watch the game on the Nebraska Educational Network. Although many fans wouldn't think of the Sesame Street Network as a prolific milestone, anything UNO and Behrns can get is a step up.

Saturday was a huge day for Behrns -- who knew the publicity of the game, the Nebraska Board of Regents' attendance, the television coverage, and the Huskers out of town gave UNO football center stage.

"It was the most nervous I have been going into a game in 20 years," Behrns said.

He had a right to be. In looking to steal a little of the college football spotlight from the other red and white team, in-state rival Kearney was a must-win.

"Don Leahy and I both felt that 1996 would be a turnaround for Maverick football," Danenhauer said. "It was good to have those sponsors in place so everything starts tying together."

The Mavs will start flying when students finally flock to Al Caniglia Field to take part in Omaha's hidden attraction — college football.

--from Seating, page 9--

Nebraska, we had a big sign that said 'UNO Student Body' but the only people sitting in it were band parents," Waller said. "That doesn't do well for UNO enrollment and it doesn't do well for state-wide recruiting. The recruits in Hastings (who watched the game) are just as important as those kids in Omaha. If they see an empty student section, it will have an impact on their choice."

Danenhauer said that UNO's athletic department understands the problem, but is looking towards the future.

# MAVERICK FOOTBALL

UNO vs. Mankato State  
Omaha, NE 5:00 p.m.

**vs. Mankato State:** The Mankato State Mavericks lead the series 20-7 over UNO but are 1-1 this season.

**Last Week:** Mankato State lost to Northeast Missouri State 41-25.

In UNO's final game before North Central Conference play, big plays in the third quarter prevailed. On the defensive side, the Mavs stuffed the Antelopes with nine sacks. On offense, the Mavs gained 493 yards of offense — 321 coming from the rush.

UNO quarterback Ed Thompson ran for three touchdowns and passed for another. The sophomore ran for 110 yards and passed for all of UNO's 172 yards through the air.

Three minutes into the second half Thompson passed to receiver MarTay Jenkins who ran the distance of the field for 89 yards and the touchdown. On the second play of their next drive, Jenkins ran for 33 yards on a reverse for a touchdown.

**The First Ever?** The UNO Sports Information Department was scrambling to find the last UNO quarterback to rush for 100 or more yards in a game. Although it remains a mystery, Thomson's 110 may be the record.

**Radio:** The game will be broadcast by Jim Kelter and Joe Patrick over KOSR, 1490 AM.

**Injuries:** No significant injuries.

## 1996 UNO Schedule & Results

records: 0-0 in the NCC, 2-0 overall

Sept. 7	HASTINGS
	W 48-0
Sept. 14	NEB-KEARNEY
	W 39-14
Sept. 21	MANKATO STATE*, 5 p.m.
Sept. 28	at N. Dakota State*, 7 p.m.
Oct. 5	MORNINGSIDE*, 7 p.m.
Oct. 12	at North Dakota*, 2 p.m.
Oct. 19	N. COLORADO*, 7 p.m.
Oct. 26	at Augustana*, 1 p.m.
Nov. 2	ST. CLOUD ST.*, 7 p.m.
Nov. 9	S. DAKOTA ST.*, 1 p.m.
Nov. 16	at South Dakota*, 1:30 p.m.

*caps- home games*

\* - North Central Conference Games

## Maverick Two-Deep Roster for Saturday

### OFFENSE

SE 1 MARTAY JENKINS (6-1, 183, Jr., Waterloo, IA)  
26 Adam Wright (6-1, 196, Fr., Omaha)  
LT 65 BRIAN JARRETT (6-3, 285, RS/Fr., Lincoln)  
77 Lany Brown (6-1, 300, So., Hastings)  
LG 70 CHRIS BOBER (6-5, 300, RS/Fr., Omaha)  
68 Steve Daiveau (6-3, 295, RS/Fr., Falls City)  
C 59 ANDY STINE (6-5, 245, RS/Fr., Gretna)  
71 Bob Wegner (6-2, 265, Jr., Omaha)  
RG 63 DAN POTMESIL (6-6, 300, RS/Fr., Omaha)  
74 Nick Prescott (6-3, 295, Fr., Omaha)  
RT 72 BRIAN DONOHUE (6-4, 281, So., W. D. Moines)  
79 Jason Lauck (6-4, 245, RS/Fr. Lake City, IA)  
TE 84 BRIAN BENJAMIN (6-0, 225, RS/Fr., Stockton, CA)  
88 Pete Conigilo (6-3, 240, So., Omaha)  
QB 12 ED THOMPSON (6-1, 175, So., Cambridge)  
5 Jared Hendershot (6-2, 178, Jr., Nebraska City)  
TB 7 JEFF HERDZINA (5-9, 185, So., Columbus OR)  
4 TYRONE TYLER (5-10, 175, RS/Fr., W.D. Moines, IA)  
33 Melvin McPhaul (6-2, 223, So., Omaha)  
FB 44 MICKY KOORY (6-0, 215, So., Omaha)  
22 Cale Good (6-1, 200, Sr., Dodge City, KS)  
FL 3 JAKE YOUNG (5-9, 170, Sr., Davenport, IA)  
89 Yano Jones (6-2, 180, RS/Fr., Omaha)

### DEFENSE

DE 43 GARY CHARLES (6-2, 215, Jr., Houston, TX)  
90 Brent Naben (6-4, 232, Jr., Central City)  
DT 76 BRYON HOLSTON (5-11, 313, Sr., Eliz. City, N.J.)  
64 Warren Whitted (6-1, 235, RS/Fr., Omaha)  
NT 51 JAY WINEINGER (6-3, 265, So., North Platte)  
54 Jason Morris (6-2, 271, Jr., Omaha)  
DE 86 DAMON HANSEN (6-4, 230, Sr., Los Angeles, CA)  
67 Hank deBoer (6-2, 240, RS/Fr., Omaha)  
MIKE 37 CEDRIC WELCH (5-11, 215, Jr., Omaha)  
49 Marcelles Walker (5-10, 210, So., Omaha)  
LB 46 JASON BARTLING (6-1, 205, So., Sidney)  
96 Steve Gonzalez (6-1, 215, So., Omaha)  
WILL 42 DEMETRIUS RICHARDS (6-2, 205, Jr., Omaha)  
8 Lerner O'Neal (6-1, 195, Sr., Omaha)  
LCB 32 NATHAN TATE (5-10, 185, So., Quincy, IL)  
36 Brian Mead (5-10, 170, Fr., Omaha)  
21 Tony Krels (5-9, 175, So., Papillion)  
FS 16 BEN TITUS (6-0, 180, So., Omaha)  
30 Jamar Anderson (5-8, 180, Jr., Bellevue)  
RCB 6 PAT DAVIS (5-10, 185, Sr., N. Lauderdale, FL)  
2 Robert Brown (5-10, 170, So., N. Lauderdale, FL)  
RVR 20 NATE SULLIVAN (6-1, 205, RS/Fr., Omaha)  
25 Terrell Spears (6-1, 210, Fr., Brooklyn, NY)

### SPECIALISTS

PK/KO 14 Paul Kosel (5-11, 170, So., Omaha)  
P 17 Mike Borrall (6-1, 175, Fr., S. Sioux City)  
12 Ed Thompson (6-1, 175, So., Cambridge)  
Snap 58 Chris Bober (6-5, 300, Fr., Omaha)  
64 Warren Whitted (6-1, 260, RS/Fr., Omaha)  
Return 1 MarTay Jenkins (6-1, 183, Jr., Waterloo, IA)  
3 Jake Young (5-9, 170, Sr., Davenport, IA)  
6 Pat Davis (5-10, 185, Sr., N. Lauderdale, FL)  
Hold 16 Ben Titus (6-0, 180, So., Omaha)

"Do you put together a short-term remedy or a long-term one?" Danenhauer said. "If we do continue to win and our reserved sales goes up, we may go back to the east side with our team and cheerleaders. This is a good problem to have."

Even Waller admits that UNO's recent success makes the

student seating issue a new one.

"As a football player, we were always upset that the student body didn't attend the games," he said. "Now I understand why these (student placement) issues never came up in the past."



# Jenkins Provided Fireworks for Writer

BY BRANDON BROWN

This article contains opinions of the writer.

The television sat untouched Saturday at my house. No one was watching any football, no one yelling plays, no one asking for another cold one, no one making a mess on the couch with potato chips. No, we didn't watch any football as usual at home. We went to watch the UNO Mavericks play at Caniglia Field.

The family loaded up the truckster, and went out for a game, instead of sitting around staring at the tube. We arrived early in order to see the festivities before the game, and we danced with Durango as music was being played in the Pep bowl before game time.

When the game started, we got our free hot dogs and drink, (thanks, Gateway, for the coupon) then took our seats to watch the game.

The Mavs were in fine form, and we watched in awe as our Mavs won their second straight home game. After the two games UNO is ranked No. 2 in total rushing offense, with an average of 402 rushing yards per game.

"We wanted to rebuild in order to run the football a little more," said offensive backs Coach Lance Liepold.

With an average like that, UNO should be a tough contender for an overall rushing title.

MarTay Jenkins, UNO's starting split end, had an amazing day Saturday against Kearney. His 89-yard passing touchdown run in the third quarter was the highlight of the UNO offense. Jenkins suffered from a broken arm last season, and was unable to post such numbers. Luckily, the only thing holding him back during the game was the defense of Kearney, which was of little concern.

The speed and quickness of Jenkins was unreal, as he shot

away from the defensive coverage and stood as the lone man in the endzone after his touchdown.

"MarTay is gifted, speed-wise," UNO Head Coach Pat Behrns said.

The UNO defense was also a strong point of the game. While watching tackles, sacks, interceptions and fumble recoveries by the Mavs, I was amazed at the amount of strength and talent they have. The defensive Mav that stood out among the rest was Bryon Holston.

After a two year absence from UNO football, Holston was named NCAA Division II athlete of the week with three sacks, nine tackles and a fumble-recovery.

"He is in good shape for a great season," defensive coordinator Jeff Jamrog says, "His great quickness and strength helps Bryon get it done."

Holston added his strength to the defensive line helping to contain the run and shut down the passing game of Kearney.

The UNO defense was well prepared for the no-huddle offensive style of Kearney, and the front four were ready to stop anyone trying to get through holes. The Antelopes were held to just 42 rushing yards and the defense consistently went to Kearney's backfield, causing three fumbles and three sacks.

"We wanted to add more blitzing and get the secondary more involved," Jamrog added.

The defense will have to gear up for the first North Central Conference game tomorrow against Mankato State.

The Mavs are well on their way to becoming a strong opposition in the North Central Conference. With young, enthusiastic and experienced players, Pat Behrns has a team that can win for a long time.

## UNO Nets Football, Volleyball Awards

BY TONY REINKE

It was a busy week of clearing the UNO athletic mantle for more brass trophies with the addition of three awards.

Football quarterback Ed Thompson and defensive tackle Bryon Holston were named Nebraska's NCAA Division II offense and defensive players of the week for their efforts in UNO's 39-14 win over Nebraska-Kearney.

Volleyball setter Amy Steffel was awarded the North Central Conference player of the week after the Lady Mavs won four matches.

Thompson, a 6-foot-1-inch sophomore, had 282 yards of total offense, scored three touchdowns and passed for another in the Mavericks win. Thompson leads UNO's running game

which is No. 2 in the Division II with an average of 402 yards per game.

UNO's defense, ranked No. 10 in Division II, has been led by Holston. The 310-pound senior made three sacks and nine tackles in Saturday's win.

Steffel, UNO's all-time leader in set assists, had 145 in last weeks tournament in Marshall, MN. The Senior from Minnesota also hit .500 with 13 kills and hit .833 in the first match of the tournament.



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